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By George Sixta



















It's easy to tell when a TV series is having trouble with audience popularity-they send the stars out on a personal-appearance tour.

The most recent star to be available for press interviews was Leon Ames, the "Father of the Bride." As usual, it was a bad sign. The news came from Hollywood shortly thereafter that CBS is expected to drop both the father and the bride when it has completed the current cycle of 26 shows filmed for TV at M-G-M.

I consider this extremely unfortunate. Fatherhood is getting a bad shake in the world today. Motherhood has taken over and is dominating everything. Even "Lassie" is a lady.

Ames should know about fatherhood by now. He played Elizabeth Taylor's old man when she was in her teens. He was also the "father" in "Life With Father." And he was the head of the household in the great old M-G-M film, "Meet Me in St. Louis." He is also a father in real life.

"My daughter, Shelley, left college after two years and she's in New York now, trying to decide what she wants to do about her career. Meanwhile, she's living like a retired movie queen.
"I also can understand the problems of the young

groom in 'Father of the Bride' because I have a 17-year-old son. He's a baseball player who is also study-ing drama and that's probably a good thing, because I don't think he has the brains to get into USC."

Leon Ames is unique in my experience. He is one Hollywood star who doesn't complain about how hard he has to work. (I'd like to have a buck for every hour I have listened to a \$10,000-a-week ham complain about having to get up early in the morning.)
"Overworked? Are you kidding?" asked Ames. "I

have an easy part and I'm overpaid. Actors in a regular series are the luckiest people in the world. After all, we choose our line of work. Nobody gets CALLED into our

"Sure, I get tired. But I could get just as tired working in an office for a lot less money and at a lot less interesting job."

The wedding in "Father of the Bride" will take place on the Feb. 2 episode. The 26th program ends when Ames gets the news that he is not only the father of the bride but will also soon become the grandfather of the bride's first child. If you follow me.

Well, it turns out the real parents of "Father of the Bride" are an old lady whose initials are C. B. S. and an old man named M. G. M. They're getting ready to put the kid up for adoption.

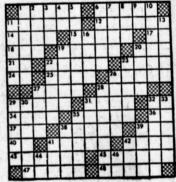
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